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SUBJ: RWANDA SEEKS ARAB FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

REF: (A) KIGALI 0254 (NOTAL); (B) KIGALI 0375 (NOTAL)

1. RADIO RWANDA ANNOUNCED JULY 7 MININT LT. COL. KANYARENGWE HAD DEPARTED RWANDA FOR UNSPECIFIED ARAB COUNTRIES. IN AIRPORT DEPARTURE INTERVIEW, KANYARENGWE SINGULARLY UNCOMMUNICATIVE ON EITHER ITINERARY OR PURPOSE OF TRIP.

2. FONMIN CONFIRMED TO AMB THAT KANYARENGWE MISSION HOPES ELICIT ASSISTANCE FROM ARAB COUNTRIES AND KANYARENGWE WILL VISIT ALGERIA, UAR, SAUDI ARABIA AND KUWAIT SEEKING FINANCIAL AID. HE WILL CARRY LETTERS FROM PRES HABYARIMANA. FONMIN NOTED EVEN IF ONLY \$4 MILLION IN CREDITS OR GUARANTEES RECEIVED, IT WOULD AMOUNT IN RWANDA TO \$1 PER CAPITA. KANYARENGWE EXPECTED BE ABSENT ABOUT TWO WEEKS.

3. LT. COL. KANYARENGWE IS NO. 2 ON ARMY LIST AND THUS
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IN THEORY NO. 2 MAN IN RWANDA. HE IS ACCOMPANIED BY

RULING CTTEE MEMBER AND CDR MILITARY TRAINING SCHOOL MAJOR
GAHIMANO, GOR AMB ADDIS ABABA NGIRUMBATSE AND RADIO RWANDA
DIRECTOR AMRI (A RWANDAN MOSLEM).

4. COMMENT: FONMIN HAD PREVIOUSLY INDICATED (REFTEL B)
GOR AS LAND LOCKED COUNTRY WOULD LIKE SEE EVIDENCE ARAB
INTENTIONS AS STATED OAU SUMMIT AND AMB PREVIOUSLY SUG-
GESTED (REFTEL A) BILATERAL VISIT MIGHT BE USEFUL. ALSO
AS INDICATED REFTEL A, GOR HAS UNTIL NOW NOT SENT ANY
BILATERAL MISSIONS SEEKING ARAB ASSISTANCE BEYOND NORTH
AFRICA. COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION RAISES SUSPICION MIL-
ITARY ASSISTANCE ALSO ON AGENDA. FONMIN DID NOT MENTION
LIBYA AS PART OF ITINERARY, BUT WE BELIEVE IT LIKELY
KANYARENGWE WOULD STOP THERE AS WELL. DESPITE RECURRENT
RUMORS, EMB DOES NOT YET HAVE EVIDENCE LIBYA PROVIDING
MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO RWANDA.
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